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## MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: HFAC Briefing on Laos/Cambodia

1. On 4 March the House Foreign Affairs Committee, Asian/Pacific Affairs subcommittee received a briefing on the political situation in Laos and Cambodia. The session was held in H-139, the Capitol from 10:00 to 11:30. A transcript was prepared.

2. The following members were present:

Stephen J. Solarz (D., NY) Chairman Subc  
 Robert G. Torricelli (D., NJ)  
 Chester G. Atkins (D., MA)  
 Robert G. Lagomarsino (R., CA)  
 Jim Leach (R., IA)  
 Robert K. Dornan (R., CA)  
 Christopher H. Smith (R., NJ)

Congressional staff present include:

Stanley Roth  
 Dawn Calabia

3. Participants in the briefing were:

Carl Ford, NIO/EA  
 [redacted] DI/OEA  
 Murray Zinoman, STATE  
 Paula Causey, STATE  
 Denis Halpin, STATE  
 [redacted] DIA  
 [redacted], DIA  
 [redacted] DIA

4. Most of the briefing centered on the current status of the non-communist forces in comparison to the Khmer Rouge and the Vietnamese/Heng Samrin forces with respect to number of combatants, leadership capacity, equipment, tactics and effectiveness in the field.

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